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MODERATOR.

GEORGE E. WHITCOMB.

SELECTMEN.

ALLEN C. WILCOX, NORRIS C. CARTER,
MARSHALL H. HILL.

TOWN CLERK.

GEORGE I. CUTLER.

TREASURER.

GEORGE E. WHITCOMB.

COLLECTOR.

ALANSON W. BANKS.

SUPERVISORS.

AUBURN J. DAY, ALANSON W. BANKS,
LYMAN M. STONE.

HIGHWAY AGENTS.

WILLIAM C. OAKMAN, GEORGE D. STONE,
JOSEPH L. STARKEY.

SCHOOL BOARD.

GEORGE I. CUTLER, ALANSON W. BANKS,
MRS. MARTHA M. BLAKE.

AUDITOR.

GEORGE W. WILLIS.

REPORT OF SELECTMEN AND TREASURER.

We, the selectmen and treasurer of the town of Swanzey, submit the following report for the year ending February 15, 1896.

APPROPRIATIONS AT THE ANNUAL MEETING IN MARCH, 1895.

Repair of highways,	$1,800 00
Repair of bridges,	800 00
Support of schools, part of savings bank tax,	2,000 00
Support of poor,	400 00
Town charges,	1,000 00
Decoration of soldiers' graves,	100 00
Care of cemeteries,	200 00
Supplies for schools,	200 00
Expenses at Spragueville, Westport and West Swanzey fires,	250 00

AT SCHOOL MEETING.

Repairs school property,	$300 00

APRIL INVOICE, 1895.

Resident real estate,	$425,245 00
Non-resident real estate,	110,400 00
Mills and machinery,	50,900 00
Stock in trade,	37,950 00
Money at interest,	33,200 00

Stock in banks,	$3,102 00
Stock in public funds,	
408 polls,	40,800 00
358 horses,	21,010 00
24 oxen,	1,110 00
463 cows,	10,043 00
477 sheep,	951 00
27 carriages,	1,870 00
Total valuation,	$736,581 00
Rate per cent, $1.10.	
Tax resulting,	$8,102 39
Gain by computing,	66
Added to collector's book,	16 78
Total amount committed to collector,	$8,119 83

RECEIPTS.

Remaining in treasury February 15, 1895,	$920 99
Remaining in collector's hands,	1,150 00
Collector's interest on taxes,	30 63
Savings bank tax,	2,443 68
Literary fund,	301 56
Railroad tax,	110 68
County, support of poor,	300 74
County, support of dependent soldiers and their families,	84 41
Harry Iredale, aid to sister,	14 00
Geo. I. Cutler, for dogs licensed,	211 07
John F. Ballou, grass on Holbrook farm,	19 00
A. W. Banks, balance sidewalk tax,	17 50
For cemetery lot,	7 00
For cemetery lots,	12 00
Frank A. Lane, cemetery lot,	5 00
Orrin White, cemetery lot,	6 00

N. G. Woodbury, cemetery lot,	$8 00
State, bounty on hawks,	10 50
Westport swamp assessment,	35 00
N. C. Carter, sale of histories,	15 00
L. M. Hewes, apples on Holbrook farm,	3 00
Grange for keys,	24
Ed. Clouter, hog purchased for Cateract,	4 00
J. C. Field, Holbrook farm,	2,650 00
A. W. Banks, taxes for 1895,	6,642 49
	$15,002 49

DISBURSEMENTS.

TOWN OFFICERS.

Allen C. Wilcox, selectman for 1894,	$133 84
Norris C. Carter, selectman for 1894,	117 50
Fayette F. Downing, selectman for 1894,	85 00
George E. Whitcomb, treasurer for 1894,	35 00
George I. Cutler, town clerk for 1894,	42 31
Fayette F. Downing, clerk of school district for 1894,	2 50
George I. Cutler, member school board for 1894,	50 00
A. A. Ware, member school board for 1894,	50 00
A. W. Banks, member school board for 1893,	50 00
Edna C. Whitcomb, treasurer school district 1894,	15 00
F. S. Faulkner, supervisor, fall 1894,	21 25
George E. Whitcomb, moderator, spring 1895,	3 00
B. C. Snow, sexton for 1895,	75 00
George D. Stone, sexton for 1895,	70 00
Lyman M. Stone, constable for 1894,	5 00
Andrew Bloom, constable for 1895,	7 00
	$762 40

SUPPORT OF TOWN POOR.

Goodnow, Day & Co., goods furnished R. B. Hall,	$28 70

N. C. Carter, goods furnished N. Cateract,	$16 90
Fred Dolby, work for N. Cateract,	4 55
Goodnow, Day & Co., goods furnished N. Cateract,	9 60
N. C. Carter, goods furnished N. Cateract,	6 50
O. P. Bennett, goods furnished N. Cateract,	4 00
County of Cheshire, board and clothing for Grace Hale,	167 50
County of Cheshire, board and clothing for Alice Iredale,	74 69
M. Burke, goods furnished N. Cateract,	3 37
Geo. I. Cutler, attendance, Mrs. N. Cateract,	2 25
	$318 06

SUPPORT OF TRAMPS.

William H. Buttrick, keeping tramps,	$1 75
N. C. Carter, aid to tramps,	4 95
George D. Hutchins, aid to tramps,	8 40
	$15 10

SUPPORT OF COUNTY POOR.

G. L. Underwood, goods furnished T. Durant,	$12 00
G. W. Willis, goods furnished T. Durant,	155 11
E. Wilcox & Son, wood furnished Durant,	12 06
N. C. Carter, aid to Lewis Tacy's family,	19 99
N. C. Carter, aid to Fred Davis family,	20 00
Geo. I. Cutler, aid to Fred Davis family,	3 00
James Marsh, aid to Fred Davis family,	10 33
Geo. I. Cutler, attendance Durant family,	7 50
N. C. Carter, aid to Heber Riel,	5 00
E. Wilcox & Son, wood for T. Durant,	18 13
G. W. Willis, goods for T. Durant,	63 86
	$326 98

AID TO DEPENDENT SOLDIERS AND THEIR FAMILIES.

County,	$36 00
Town,	19 15
	$55 15

CARE OF CEMETERIES.

N. C. Carter and help,	$10 90
A. C. Wilcox and help,	17 00
M. C. Stone, work in new cemetery,	5 25
	$33 15

SUPPORT OF HIGHWAYS AND BRIDGES.

William C. Oakman, highway agent,	$960 16
George D. Stone, highway agent,	732 73
Joseph L. Starkey, highway agent,	806 17
C. R. Weeks, lighting bridge and repairs on lamps,	6 00
C. R. Weeks, snowing Westport bridge, winter '95,	7 00
A. C. White, lighting bridge and repairs on lamps,	32 00
M. C. Stone, balance highway account for 1894,	45 85
Fayette F. Downing,	1 00
Mike Pluff, breaking out highway,	2 00
J. H. Phillips, painting iron bridge,	2 10
J. H. Phillips, paint for iron bridge,	2 00
George O. Capron, balance 1894 account,	14 80
	$2,611 81

NEW HIGHWAYS.

B. & M. R. R., land damage, new street in West Swanzey,	$10 00

PUBLIC WATER.

John S. Rice, year 1894,	$3 00
Thomas W. Parkinson, year 1895,	3 00
Chester L. Lane, year 1895,	3 00
D. B. C. Hill, year 1895,	3 00
John B. Porter, year 1895,	3 00
T. J. Fitzgerald, year 1895,	3 00
	$18 00

DECORATION FUND.

O. S. Eaton, treasurer,	$100 00
Appropriation,	100 00

STATE AND COUNTY TAX.

State tax,	$2,085 00
County tax,	1,064 86

MISCELLANEOUS.

Silsby & Son, collector's book, etc.,	$2 00
Ira C. Evans, printing names on invoices, blanks, and stationery,	4 00
F. S. Faulkner, blank check list,	75
Lyman M. Stone, services in Joseph Drake case,	4 00
Lyman M. Stone, taking Joseph Drake to jail,	3 00
Lyman M. Stone, constable, services in Peter Liscord case,	3 00
Lyman M. Stone, constable, services in Leonard Whitcomb case,	2 00
N. C. Carter, supplies for town hall,	2 60
Frank Moore, cutting and putting wood in shed at town hall,	1 50
George I. Cutler, reporting deaths in town,	5 75
Sentinel Printing Co., town reports,	63 00

Tyler & Co., repairs on road machines,	$17 00
N. C. Carter, wood for town hall,	3 50
A. C. Wilcox, paid for copying in year 1894,	5 00
Batchelder & Faulkner, counsel fee,	5 00
A. C. Wilcox, paid for fighting brush fire, 1894,	25
John T. Abbott, counsel fee,	2 00
N. C. Carter and help, fighting brush fire,	4 00
O. H. Harvey, over-tax,	55
City of Keene, services of firemen at Spragueville,	85 00
N. C. Carter, bounties on hawks,	10 50
E. C. Eastman, outside steps to town hall,	2 25
H. W. Banks, damages to team on account of defective highway,	6 25
A. C. Wilcox, paid for copying in 1895,	4 00
G. D. Stone, lock for tomb,	90
Fayette F. Downing, having weights and measures examined and corrected,	4 35
Fayette F. Downing, for work and cash paid, help in yard at town hall,	2 77
Samuel Wadsworth, surveying,	6 00
Batchelder & Faulkner, retainer for 1895,	6 00
B. F. Mead, work and material on chimney at town hall,	10 02
George I. Cutler, reporting births and deaths to state,	10 65
George I. Cutler, reporting births and deaths to town,	12 00
George I. Cutler, taking affidavits, pauper cases,	1 75
A. W. Banks, abatement of taxes,	42 65
N. C. Carter, postage, stationery, car fare, etc.,	3 50
N. C. Carter, paid for cutting out ditch at Westport swamp,	2 50
N. C. Carter, expense looking up damages to sheep by dogs,	2 50
N. C. Carter, expense looking up pauper cases,	8 15
A. C. Wilcox, postage and stationery, telephones, etc., for years 1894 and 1895,	8 93
	$359 57

HOLBROOK FARM ACCOUNT.

W. L. Goodnow, goods furnished Mrs. Holbrook,	$23 70
G. C. Hill, guardian,	50 00
A. C. Wilcox, paid for looking up title,	1 00
Fred Dolby, moving Mrs. Holbrook,	1 25
N. C. Carter, moving Mrs. Holbrook from farm to West Swanzey,	2 25
N. C. Carter, cash paid, other expenses,	2 15
A. H. & G. E. Whitcomb, Jr., wood furnished Mrs. Holbrook,	2 00
M. Burke, goods furnished,	9 07
A. Lafountain, moving Mrs. Holbrook,	2 50
Park E. Wright, administrator, mortgage and notes as per agreement,	1,400 00
Howard & Barrett, goods furnished Mrs. Holbrook,	62 25
Mrs. G. W. Perry, rent for Mrs. Holbrook,	8 00
Mrs. Sarah C. Kendall, rent for Mrs. Holbrook,	5 00
G. C. Hill, guardian,	65 00
Sentinel Printing Co., auction bills for sale of farm,	1 25
G. C. Hill, guardian,	185 00
	$1,820 42
Received from sale of farm,	$2,650 00

SUPPORT OF SCHOOLS.

Part of savings bank tax,	$2,000 00
Literary fund,	429 26
Railroad tax,	109 24
Balance dog license,	182 70
	$2,721 20

SUPPLIES FOR SCHOOLS.

Supplies,	$245 00

REPAIRS SCHOOL PROPERTY.

Repairs,	$300 00

WEST SWANZEY FIRE PRECINCT.

Walter F. Oakman, treasurer, balance from 1894,	$203 83
Walter F. Oakman, treasurer, Bennett and Morse fires,	128 88
	$332 71

RECAPITULATION.

RECEIPTS.

Remaining in treasury, Feb. 15, 1895,	$920 99
A. W. Banks, 1894 taxes,	1,150 00
A. W. Banks, interest on 1894 taxes,	30 63
State, savings bank tax,	2,443 68
State, literary fund,	301 56
State, R. R. tax,	110 68
State, bounty on hawks,	10 50
County, support of poor,	300 74
County, support of dependent soldiers,	84 41
Harry Iredale, aid to his sister,	14 00
Geo. I. Cutler, dogs licensed,	211 07
John F. Ballou, grass on Holbrook farm,	19 00
A. W. Banks, building sidewalk tax,	17 50
For cemetery lot,	7 00
For cemetery lots,	12 00
Frank A. Lane, cemetery lot,	5 00
Orrin White, cemetery lot,	6 00
N. G. Woodbury, cemetery lot,	8 00
Westport swamp assessment,	35 00
Sale of histories,	15 00
L. N. Hewes, apples on Holbrook farm,	3 00
Grange, keys to Town hall,	24
Ed. Clouter, hog bought for Cateract,	4 00

J. C. Field, Holbrook farm,	$2,650 00
A. W. Banks, collector taxes for 1895,	6,642 49
	$15,002 49

DISBURSEMENTS.

Town officers,	$762 40
Town poor,	318 06
Tramps,	15 10
County poor,	326 98
Dependent soldiers,	55 15
Holbrook farm account,	1,820 42
Highways and bridges,	2,611 81
New highway,	10 00
Public water,	18 00
Decoration soldiers' graves,	100 00
Care cemeteries,	33 15
Miscellaneous,	359 57
Support of schools,	2,721 20
School supplies,	245 00
Repair of school property,	300 00
West Swanzey fire precinct,	332 71
State tax,	2,085 00
County tax,	1,064 86
	$13,179 41

Total tax for 1895,	$8,119 83
Received from collector,	6,642 49
Discounts allowed,	233 55
	$6,876 04

In collector's hands, 1895 taxes,	$1,243 79
In collector's hands, 1894 taxes,	103 43
Total in collector's hands, Feb. 15, 1896,	$1,347 22

LIABILITIES.

Estimated due town officers,	$650 00
Estimated due county, Grace O. Hale, board,	50 00
Estimated due county, Alice Iredale, board,	50 00
Due schools, literary fund,	301 56
Due schools, railroad tax,	110 68
Due schools, dog license,	211 07
Due Holbrook farm account,	829 58
	$2,202 89

ASSETS.

Cash remaining in treasury,	$1,823 08
Remaining in collector's hands,	1,347 22
Due from county,	154 88
Due from state,	16 00
	$3,341 18
Total amount of assets,	$3,341 18
Total amount of liabilities,	$2,202 89
	$1,138 29
Leaving a balance in favor of the town at this date, February 15, 1896,	$1,138 29

ALLEN C. WILCOX,
NORRIS C. CARTER,
MARSHALL H. HILL,
Selectmen of Swanzey.

GEO. E. WHITCOMB,
Treasurer.

Having examined the foregoing accounts of the selectmen and treasurer, I do hereby certify that I find them correctly cast and properly vouched.

GEORGE W. WILLIS,
Auditor.

REPORT OF

W. C. OAKMAN, ROAD COMMISSIONER,

FOR 1895.

W. C. Oakman, 84 days, 9 hours, at $2 00, $169 80

EXPENSES FOR THE MONTH OF APRIL.

B. C. Snow and team,	6 days,	6 hours,	at $3 50,	$23 10
B. C. Snow, team,		3 "	20,	60
N. C. Carter and team,	4 "	3 "	3 50,	15 05
S. R. Marcy,	10 "	6 "	1 50,	15 90
H. S. Leonard,	7 "	2 "	1 50,	10 80
C. Greenleaf,	7 "	1 "	1 50,	10 65
J. P. Hill,	2 "		1 50,	3 00
J. Handy,	2 "		1 50,	3 00
Fred Richardson,	2 "		1 50,	3 00
Geo. Richardson and team,	2½ days,			7 50
O. J. Very, and team,		3½ hours,		1 00
S. B. Partridge,		3 "	15,	45
Fred Dolby, drawing tile,				60
259 lbs. nails, at $0 01¼,				3 24
Spencer & Co., tile,				7 15
O. C. Nash, repairs on scraper,				3 00
Freight on scraper blades,				50
Russell & Whitcomb, 5,905 feet of lumber,				88 57
				$197 11

EXPENSES FOR THE MONTH OF MAY.

N. C. Carter and team,	17 days,	6 hours,	at $3 50,	$61	60
N. C. Carter, team,		9 "	20,	1	80
B. C. Snow and team,	16 "	5 "	3 50,	57	75
B. C. Snow, team,	2 "		2 00,	4	00
S. R. Marcy,	18 "	5 "	1 50,	27	75
C. Greenleaf,	13 "	5 "	1 50,	20	25
H. S. Leonard,	15 "	5 "	1 50,	23	25
S. B. Partridge,	5 "		1 50,	7	50
O. S. Eaton,	2 "		1 50,	3	00
O. Snow,		5 "	15,		75
E. Adams,		2 "	15,		30
P. Robbins, blasting rock,				1	25
J. Robbins, blasting rock,				1	00
Oil,					35
				$210	55

EXPENSES FOR THE MONTH OF JUNE.

N. C. Carter and team,	19 days,	5 hours,	at $3 50,	$68	25
B. C. Snow and team,	12 "		3 50,	42	00
S. R. Marcy,	19 "	5 "	1 50,	29	25
John Conboy,	10 "	5 "	1 50,	15	75
Herbert Carter,	6 "		1 50,	9	00
C. Greenleaf,	5 "	2 "	1 50,	7	80
C. Blanchard,	5 "		1 50,	7	50
H. S. Leonard,	4 "		1 50,	6	00
Henry Fassett,	3 "		1 50,	4	50
John Seaver,	2 "	5 "	1 50,	3	75
O. S. Eaton,	2 "		1 50,	3	00
Amos Beals,	1 "		1 50,	1	50
E. Seaver,	1 "		1 50,	1	50
S. Neveres,	1 "		1 50,	1	50
O. Snow,		5 "	15,		75
E. A. Cummings, work on road,				1	00
B. C. Snow, use of plow,				2	00

Geo. Richardson, use of cart,	$1 25
E. A. Cummings, breaking road, March, 1895,	2 50
Powder and fuse,	30
N. C. Carter, 43 loads of earth,	1 30
Hiram Hills, breaking roads, March, 1895,	2 70
	$213 10

EXPENSES FOR THE MONTHS OF JULY AND AUGUST.

N. C. Carter and team,	6 days, 5 hours, at $3 50,		$22 75
S. R. Marcy,	10 " 8 "	1 50,	16 20
C. Greenleaf,	8 " 5 "	1 50,	12 75
Spencer & Co., tile,			58 63
Freight on tile,			3 48
C. S. Taylor, 57 loads of earth, at $0 05,			2 85
A. A. French, 35 loads of earth, at $0 05,			1 75
Geo. E. Whitcomb, 4 bridge stringers,			80
Goodnow, Day & Co., nails,			64
Pick handle,			17
A. Lafountain, use of cart,			50
D. Wilson, use of cart,			30
			$120 82

EXPENSES FOR THE MONTHS OF SEPTEMBER AND OCTOBER.

N. C. Carter and team,	3 days, 2 hours, at $3 50,		$11 20
N. C. Carter, use of horse, 2 days,			1 50
B. C. Snow and team,	2 " 2 "	3 50,	7 70
B. C. Snow, use of plow,			30
S. R. Marcy,	3 " 2 "	1 50,	4 80
C. Greenleaf,	3 " 2 "	1 50,	4 80
S. B. Partridge,	2 " 1½ "	1 50,	3 23
F. Patnode,	1 " 1½ "	1 50,	1 73

Spencer & Co., for tile,	$2 10
Freight on tile,	25
George Richardson, use of cart,	25
George Richardson, poles for railing,	75
David Wilson and team, 3½ hours,	82
George H. Gage, cutting brush,	2 00
A. L. Corey, cutting brush,	2 00
F. O. Dodge, blacksmithing,	4 70
	$48 13
Cr.	
A. Lafountaine, for tile,	35
	$47 78

EXPENSES FOR MONTHS OF NOVEMBER, DECEMBER AND JANUARY.

N. C. Carter and team, 4 hours, at 35 cents,	$1 40
C. Greenleaf, 4 hours at 15 cents,	60
	$2 00
Cr.	
J. Handy, for rock,	1 00
	$1 00

RECAPITULATION.

April,	$197 11
May,	210 55
June,	213 10
July and August,	120 82
September and October,	47 78
November, December and January,	1 00
	$790 36

REPORT OF

GEO. D. STONE, ROAD COMMISSIONER,

FOR 1895.

EXPENSES FOR THE MONTH OF MARCH.

Geo. D. Stone, snowing bridge,	$1 00
Geo. D. Stone, 4 hours with horse,	1 00
Geo. D. Stone, 3 hours work, at 20 cents,	60
	$2 60

APRIL.

Geo. D. Stone, work with horse,			$1 50
Geo. D. Stone,	1 day, 2½ hours,	at $2 00,	2 50
Geo. D. Stone,	8 " 5½ "	4 00,	34 20
Chas. R. Worcester,	1 " 6 "	1 50,	2 40
Chas. R. Worcester,	4 " 7½ "	3 50,	16 63
Herbert Chamberlain,	1 " 8 "	1 50,	2 70
Lewis Talbot,	6 " 3 "	1 50,	9 46
Geo. Ballou,	6 " 3 "	1 50,	9 46
Daniel Harper,	6 " 3 "	1 50,	9 46
			$88 31

MAY.

Geo. D. Stone,	10 days, 6 hours,	at $4 00,	$42 40
Chas. R. Worcester,	10 " 6 "	3 50,	37 10
Lewis Talbot,	2 " 9½ "	1 50,	4 42
Geo. Ballou,	9 " 6 "	1 50,	14 40

Daniel Harper,	10 days, 6 hours, at	$1 50,	$15 90
Wesley Talbot,	10 " 8 "	1 50,	16 20
John M. Stone, 162 loads dirt at .05,			8 10
			$138 52

JUNE.

Geo. D. Stone,	14 days, 8 hours, at	$4 00,	$59 20
Geo. G. Page, 4 hours, with team,			1 40
Geo. G. Page, 9 hours, man,			1 35
Chas. R. Worcester,	13 days, 8 hours, at	$3 50,	48 30
Lewis Talbot,	8 " 8 "	1 50,	13 20
George Ballou,	13 " 8 "	1 50,	20 70
Daniel Harper,	14 " 3½ "	1 50,	21 50
Wesley Talbot,	4 " 9 "	1 50,	7 35
William C. Belding, 28 loads dirt at .05,			1 40
George G. Page, 63 loads dirt,			3 15
John M. Stone, 78 loads dirt,			3 90
			$181 48

JULY.

George D. Stone, 2 hours' work,	$0 40
George D. Stone, 8 hours' work, with team,	2 40
	$2 80

AUGUST.

George D. Stone, 1 day,	$2 00,	$2 00
George D. Stone, 1 day, with team,	4 00,	4 00
Chas. R. Worcester, 1 day,		1 50
Chester L. Lane, work on road,		1 35
Geo. L. Underwood, 5 days,	3 50,	17 50
Geo. L. Underwood, 10 days,	1 50,	15 00

Geo. L. Underwood, 50 loads dirt,	$2 50
Harvey Carlton, work on road,	1 00
	$44 85

SEPTEMBER.

Geo. D. Stone, 4 hours, with horse,	$1 20
Geo. D. Stone, 8 hours, with team,	3 20
Geo. D. Stone, 3 hours, with team,	90
Geo. D. Stone, 1 day, 6½ hours, at $2.00,	3 30
Geo. D. Stone, drawing plank,	6 00
Geo. D. Stone, 49 lbs. spikes, at .03½,	1 72
Geo. D. Stone, dynamite, repairing drills, etc.,	1 50
Chas. R. Worcester, 8 hours, with team,	2 80
Chas. R. Worcester, 3 days, 6½ hours, at $1.50,	5 48
J. A. Phillips, 3 days, 6½ hours, at $1.50,	5 48
M. C. Stone, 2 bridge stringers,	2 50
M. C. Stone, 52 feet plank,	83
Russell & Whitcomb, 2,500 feet bridge plank, $15 per M,	37 50
	$72 41

OCTOBER.

George D. Stone,	8 days, 5 hours, at $4 00,	$34 00
George D. Stone,	3 " 3 " 2 00,	6 60
George D. Stone, use of team, spikes, etc.,		6 42
Charles R. Worcester,	4 days, 7 hours, at 3 50,	16 45
Charles R. Worcester,	5 " 8 " 1 50,	8 70
Charles R. Worcester, work with team,		2 50
Lewis Talbot,	1 days, 2 hours,	1 80
George Ballou,	9 days, 9 hours,	14 85
Wesley Talbot,	3 days, at 1 50,	4 50
Charles Ballou,	4 days, 8 hours, at 2 00,	9 60
Dwight Stone,	2 days, at 1 50,	3 00

Carlon Cass, work on road,			$1 00
John M. Stone,	62 loads dirt,	at $0 05,	3 10
			$112 52

NOVEMBER.

George D. Stone,	1 day, 2 hours,	at $4 00,	$4 40
George D. Stone,	6 " 6 "	2 00,	13 20
George D. Stone, nails and work, etc.,			2 02
George D. Stone,	1 day,		2 00
Chas. R. Worcester,	5 " 3½"	1 50,	8 03
Geo. Ballou,	1 " 5 "	1 50,	2 25
A. C. Wilcox, 60 feet oak posts,			2 40
A. C. Wilcox, 116 feet oak posts,			4 64
Geo. E. Whitcomb, 2,792 feet boards, at $13 per M,			36 30
Geo. D. Stone, padlock for tomb,			90
M. C. Stone, sawing post,			4 50
			$80 64

JANUARY, 1896.

Geo. D. Stone, work with horse,	$1 50
Geo. D. Stone, work with horse,	1 80
Geo. D. Stone, 4 hours, with horse,	1 40
A. C. Wilcox, clearing road,	1 00
Chas. R. Worcester, 6 hours,	90
Fred Thurber, housing scraper,	1 00
	$7 60

FEBRUARY.

Geo. D. Stone, 2 hours, with horse,	$0 60
Chas. R. Worcester, snowing bridge,	2 50
	$3 10

RECAPITULATION.

March, 1895,	$2 60
April,	88 31
May,	138 52
June,	181 48
July,	2 80
August,	44 85
September,	72 41
October,	112 52
November,	80 64
	$724 13
January, 1896,	7 60
February,	3 10
	$734 83

REPORT OF

J. L. STARKEY, ROAD COMMISSIONER,

FOR 1895.

EXPENSES FOR THE MONTH OF FEBRUARY.

Breaking out roads:

J. L. Starkey, 5 hours,	at $0 20,	$1 00
Harry Goodell and team,		3 75
J. W. Ballou,		2 17
Earl Ballou and team,		3 57
Lee Taft, 10 hours,	15,	1 50
Lowell Belding, 1 hour,	15,	15
John Prentice and team,		3 85
Melvin Nott, 13 hours,	15,	1 95
		$17 94

APRIL.

J. L. Starkey,	3 days,	at $2 00,	$6 00
C. E. Evleth, and team,	6 days,	3 50,	21 00
C. Lafountain, and team,	6 days, 4 hours,	3 50,	22 40
F. E. Ballou,	7 " 8 "	1 50,	11 70
J. W. Ballou,	7 " 6 "	1 50,	11 40
Earl Ballou,	3 " 5 "	1 50,	5 25
Earl Ballou, and team,	2 "	35,	70
John Ballou, blasting rocks,			1 50
W. I. Ballou,	4 "	1 50,	6 00
O. D. Twitchell,	1 " ½ "	1 50,	1 58
O.D. Twitchell, and team,	5 "	35,	1 75

W. C. Belding, 25 loads gravel,			$0 05,	$1 25
				$90 53

MAY.

J. L. Starkey,	6 days,		at $2 00,	$12 00
C. Lafountain, and team,	7 "		3 50,	24 50
Chas. Evleth, and team,	7 "		3 50,	24 50
J. W. Ballou,	4 "		1 50,	6 00
F. E. Ballou,	7 "		1 50,	10 50
Earl Ballou,	3 "		1 50,	4 50
Earl Ballou, and team,	1 "		3 50,	3 50
O. D. Twitchell,	2 "		1 50,	3 00
W. I. Ballou,	6 "		1 50,	9 00
Ivah Hill,		2 hours,	15,	30
John Hill,		2 "	15,	30
J. L. Winch, and team,	7 "		3 50,	24 50
J. L. Winch, one man,	8 "	8 "	1 50,	13 20
M. C. Lane, 115 loads gravel,			05,	5 75
W. C. Belding, 70 loads gravel,			05,	3 50
John Ballou, blasting rocks,				1 00
John Prentice and team,				2 00
				$148 05

JUNE.

J. L. Starkey,	12 days,	3 hours,	at $2 00,	$24 60
Chas. Evleth, and team,	6 "	5 "	3 50,	22 75
C. Lafountain, team,	17 "	5 "	3 50,	61 25
F. E. Ballou,	11 "	5 "	1 50,	17 25
O. D. Twitchell,	12 "		1 50,	18 00
J. W. Ballou,	11 "		1 50,	16 50
Earl Ballou, and team,	10 "		3 50,	35 00
Earl Ballou,	1 "		1 50,	1 50
H. M. Carlton,		4 "	15,	60
J. L. Winch, and team,	6 "		3 50,	21 00
J. L. Winch, one man,	6 "	3 "	1 50,	9 45

F. E. Ballou, 180 loads hard pan,		$0 05,	$9 00
			$236 90

AUGUST.

J. L. Starkey,	4 days, 5 hours, at	$2 00,	$9 00
Chas. Evleth, and team,	3 " 5 "	3 50,	12 25
F. J. Twitchell, team,	8 " 5 "	3 50,	29 75
F. J. Twitchell,	1 "	1 50,	1 50
J. W. Ballou,	9 "	1 50,	13 50
Earl Ballou,	8 "	1 50,	12 00
F. E. Ballou,	2 "	1 50,	3 00
J. Handy,			1 00
Herman Lincoln,	4½"	15,	67
Richard Dunn,	5 "	15,	75
W. I. Ballou,	6 "		9 00
G. W. Willis, 161 loads gravel,		05,	8 05
Charles H. Applin, 12 loads gravel,		05,	60
			$101 07

SEPTEMBER.

J. L. Starkey,	1 day, 2 hours, at	$2 00,	$2 40
F. J. Twitchell,	2 "	3 50,	7 00
J. W. Ballou,	1 " 8 "	1 50,	2 70
Earnest Whitcomb, snowing bridge, winter '94-'95,			3 00
John Prentice and team,			4 00
Spencer & Co., drain tile,			20 49
			$39 59

OCTOBER.

J. L. Starkey,	1 day, 7 hours, at	$2 00,	$3 40
J. L. Starkey, and team,	7 "	3 50,	24 50
J. L. Starkey, drawing tile,			2 00
J. M. Ballou, and team,	5 "	35,	1 75

Earl Ballou,	6 days, 9 hours, at	$1 50,	$10 35
J. W. Ballou,	5 " 1 "	1 50,	7 65
F. E. Ballou,	1 "	1 50,	1 50
John M. Prentice and help,			5 50
C. L. Russell & Co., 710 ft. oak plank,		15 00 m.,	10 65
Dan. Martin, 650 ft. bridge stringers,		12 00 m.,	7 80
F. E. Ballou, 100 loads hard pan,		05,	5 00
Earl Ballou, and team,	1 day, 3 hours, at	3 50,	4 55
E. W. Handy, 15 loads gravel,		05,	75
			$85 40

NOVEMBER.

J. L. Starkey,	1 day, 5 hours, at	$2 00,	$3 00
J. L. Starkey, and team,	2 " 4 "	3 50,	8 40
J. W. Ballou,	3 " 4 "		5 10
Earl Ballou,	5 "	15,	75
Earl Ballou, and team,	2 "	35,	70
J. Parsons, 15 railing poles,		10,	1 50
W. I. Ballou, and oxen,	4 "	3 00,	12 00
Nelson Collier,	4 "	1 50,	6 00
W. I. Ballou,	5 "	15,	75
H. Hill,			1 50
Ivah Hill,			2 00
D. Gunn, hanging lantern,			10
G. Fairbanks, hanging lantern,			10
W. I. Ballou, 8 lbs. spikes,		04,	32
			$42 22

DECEMBER.

J. L. Starkey,	1 day, 9 hours, at	$2 00,	$3 80
J. L. Starkey, and team,	7 "	35,	2 45
W. I. Ballou,	1 "	1 50,	1 50
Herman Perry, hanging lantern,			25

E. H. Naramore, bridge timber,	$4 73
J. L. Winch, and team, 1 day, 5 hours, at $3 50,	5 25
J. L. Winch, one man, 3 " 1 " 1 50,	4 65
James Marsh, bridge stringers,	11 30
J. L. Starkey, team,	5 00
A. C. Wilcox, posts and railing,	9 07
	$48 00
Received of A. C. Wilcox, for tile,	3 48
	$44 52

RECAPITULATION.

Expenses for the months of Feb., March and April,	$102 67
Expenses for the month of May,	153 80
Expenses for the month of June,	236 90
Expenses for the months of July and August,	101 07
Expenses for the months of September and October,	124 99
Expenses for the month of November,	42 22
Expenses for the month of December,	44 52
	$806 17

REPORT OF MEMORIAL COMMITTEE.

Received of selectmen, appropriation,		$100 00
Paid for band,	$25 00	
Quartette,	10 00	
Monument at Swanzey Centre,	8 00	
Flags, markers and flowers,	15 00	
Rev. Cairns, speaker,	5 00	
Rev. Fowler, speaker,	3 00	
Baptist Society,	3 00	
Henry Leonard, teams,	2 00	
John P. Hill, labor and expenses,	3 00	
O. J. Very, labor and expenses,	2 00	
Wm. H. Calkins, labor,	1 00	
Ellis Bros., flowers,	7 00	
		$84 00
Leaving a balance in my hands, at this date Feb. 15, 1896,		$16 00

O. S. EATON,
Treasurer.

REPORT OF THE SCHOOL BOARD.

The school board of Swanzey would respectfully submit a brief report of the spring and summer schools, with such particulars concerning them as the law requires, giving such other information as they deem essential and of interest to the people of the town.

In accordance with an act of the legislature, in amendment of chapter 92 of the Public Statutes, our school year begins with the fall term. The next annual report will include the new year commencing August 1. School boards are now required by law to file with the selectmen, the reports of their respective districts, on or before the first day of August in each year. Our statistical report was duly completed at that time, August 1, and a copy sent to the superintendent of public instruction.

There will be found appended to this report a table so arranged as to give the names of the teachers who taught in the summer, with the usual items of school statistics as required.

For information in regard to the amount of school funds received, and disbursements for the three terms included, and other desirable information, you are referred to the itemized report of the school treasurer which is for the year ending February 15.

The whole number of registered scholars attending the summer term was 303. This was four less than attended the corresponding term the year before. The agents of the school board who were appointed to make the required enumeration of the children of the town in April, under the new law,

reported 159 boys and 169 girls between the ages of five and sixteen. It is worthy of note that none were reported under sixteen as working who could not read and write in the English language. There were 200 reported between ten and twelve as working during vacation, and two between twelve and fourteen, and four between fourteen and sixteen, as working while school was in session.

It appears from the above report that there is still need of a truant officer, to remind certain parents, and those having children in charge, of the law requiring them to give these children the schooling which belongs to them, and if necessary to enforce the law.

The summer schools were continued in charge of the same teachers as taught them the term before, with the exceptions of Nos. 1, 5 and 8, where a change in each took place. The teacher who formerly taught in No. 5, on account of her wish for a change, was transferred to No. 8.

We are gratified to be able to report so many good schools, some of which have been excellent ones. In opinion of the school board there has been but very little reason for complaint in regard to the efficiency or faithfulness of our teachers, or their partiality. They have generally been found worthy of the confidence of parents, and the respect of scholars; and they have well earned the credit which we award them.

The remarks occasionally heard that "I don't like the teacher," "she is cross," and "she is partial," have very little weight or influence with us when it comes from over-sensitive or disaffected pupils who failed to have their own way at school, and who have no respect for good order, or what is right and correct in deportment.

The difficulty, now and then, of a teacher in managing certain scholars and not succeeding better in keeping good order, is often on account of a lack of parental cooperation, or a misunderstanding between teacher and parent. We believe that our schools might be made better and the teachers more successful in their work if parents would visit their schools oftener and give the proper assistance and encouragement to

the teacher. Parents would then know better how their children did at school and how they there improved the time.

It has been customary to report at the annual town meeting or school meeting in March, concerning the condition of our school houses and what repairs may be needed within the ensuing year. The financial report will show how much has been expended the past year for that purpose, and where the repairs have been made. Although most of the houses are in very fair condition, a few of them will need some repairs. Something should be done to the school house in No. 5. Complaint has been made in regard to the bad sanitary conditions connected with it. To remedy the fault it has been suggested that an addition be made, either separate or connected with the house, and that the wood-shed be converted into an ante-room. Similar complaints have been made about No. 7 and No. 8.

The floor to the wood-shed part of No. 7 is settling, and should be repaired before more wood is put into it.

The house at Swanzey Factory, shows that it has not been very well kept. Too much window glass is broken out here; but it appears to be done not altogether by those attending school. This has given more than one school's share of business to *glaziers* and *glass factories*.

We are in favor of keeping our school houses in repair, knowing that we cannot afford to let them run down as property of the town, so long as they are used for school purposes; and we believe our school rooms should be made pleasant, and as comfortable as possible and attractive so that our young people may enjoy attending school.

Since our former report, No. 11 has been much improved by painting the outside, and varnishing and otherwise improving the inside. The house at Westport has also been shingled.

Only one change has been made in text books. Tarbell's Lessons in Language have been introduced in place of Reed and Kellogg's. The change has gratified the teachers very

much and resulted in awakening a new interest in the study of the English language and composition.

A few New Normal Fifth Readers and some of Harper's Third and Fourth have been put into our schools as supplementary, and with goods results already. We have also been making trial of Frye's Primary Geography. A few new studies have been introduced for some of the higher classes, a report of which may be expected at the end of the school year.

In some schools the text books have been badly used, while in other schools they have been well kept. This difference is owing somewhat to the difference in the care of the teachers as well as in the habits of the scholars. Writing names or making other marks in the school books owned by the town is not to be allowed. The printed regulations on the labels should be better enforced.

Many of the text books are now so badly damaged, with their leaves gone, that they cannot be used another term, and a new supply will have to be purchased before the beginning of the next term.

In addition to the studies during the summer term, required to be reported and not named in the statistical table, 21 scholars attended to book-keeping; 92 to vocal music, 5 to physical geography, 7 to natural history, 2 to rhetorics, and 9 to composition.

We would suggest to all our teachers that they spend a little time each day in their schools on vocal music. In some schools it is not practiced at all, where a few years ago we heard good singing.

Before making school appropriations for the ensuing year, the amount of schooling which is desired should be considered, and what will be the probable cost. The incidental expenses should be taken into account and the cost of conveyance of scholars to school, and the number of schools to be supported in town.

It is proposed to employ only the *best* teachers to be obtained for the salaries paid for the length of term. The town

can well afford to be liberal in what they do for their schools, in consideration that it is for the benefit of that younger class who are fast coming forward to fill vacancies continually occurring in business life. To maintain good schools the town must provide the necessary means, and its citizens and friends of education must work together to raise these schools to as high a degree of excellence as possible.

GEORGE I. CUTLER,
ALANSON W. BANKS,
MARTHA M. BLAKE.

STATISTICAL TABLE FROM MARCH TO AUGUST, 1895.

Schools.	TEACHERS.	No. of weeks.	Wages teacher per month.	No. of pupils.	Boys.	Girls.	Average daily attendance.	Percentage of attendance.	Not tardy or absent.	Reading and Spelling.	Writing.	Arithmetic.	Geography.	Grammar.	U. S. History.	Physiology.	Algebra.	Visits by committees.	Other visitors.
No. 1	Mrs. Emma Barker,	10	$32.00	29	13	16	26	.962	9	29	29	25	24	12	5			4	34
" 2	Miss Alice G. Adams,	10	40.00	46	23	23	42	.9546	16	46	46	46	35	29		5	3	4	40
" 4	Miss Kate F. Blake,	10	30.00	18	9	9	17	.98 8-9	5	18	18	15	13	9		5	3	5	29
" 5	Miss Vandelia Dexter,	10	28.00	20	11	9	18	.985	5	18	20	14	11	9	11	3	3	4	34
" 7	Miss Sara E. Phelps,	10	34.00	40	23	17	34	.9444	8	40	29	27	15	16	1			4	35
" 8	Miss Winnifred Gay,	9.6	30.00	18	10	8	15	.9375	2	18	18	18	15	9	1	2	2	5	12
" 10	Miss Lillian Lewis,	10	30.00	18	10	8	17	.9813	9	17	18	12	5	5			5	1	20
" 11	*Miss Kate A. Brown,	9.6	40.00	31	10	21	29	.9355	10	31	30	23	31	14	31			6	29
" 11	†Mr. Bertram Brown,	9.6	36.00	31	14	17	29	.96	8	31	31	31	31	20				6	28
" 11	‡Miss Hattie Harrington,	9.6	32.00	48	22	26	43	.9343	15	48	48	48	13					9	55

* Grammar. † Intermediate. ‡ Primary.

REPORT OF SCHOOL TREASURER.

SCHOOL MONEY RECEIVED.

Balance from last year,	$698 97
Town appropriation,	2,000 00
Literary fund,	429 26
Railroad tax,	109 24
Balance dog license,	182 70
	$3,420 17

MONEY DISBURSED.

SCHOOL NO. 1.

Emma F. Barker, teaching 10 weeks,	$80 00
Clara E. Wood, teaching 11 weeks,	88 00
Winnifred Gay, teaching 5 1-5 weeks,	41 60
Florence Osgood, teaching 4 weeks,	32 00
George W. Avery, janitor, spring term,	1 00
Ethel Stebbins, sweeping school house,	1 00
Robert Avery, janitor two terms, and kindlings,	5 00
May Pluff, sweeping school house,	1 00
Mrs. C. E. Dunican, cleaning school house and setting glass,	3 00
G. L. Underwood, 2½ cords wood, and labor,	10 00
Geo. Draper, labor and material,	2 25
Martha M. Blake, glass, lock, etc.,	1 50
	$266 35

SCHOOL NO. 2.

Alice G. Adams, teaching 30 weeks,	$300 00

Harry E. Applin, janitor, spring term,	$3 00
Alice G. Adams, janitor, fall term,	4 00
Roland Alexander, janitor, winter term,	6 75
John C. Bourn, cleaning school house, and repairs,	4 60
Geo. W. Willis, door, lock, moulding, mortar, wash-dish, shovel and rope,	1 86
Chester L. Lane, 3 84-100 cords wood,	15 55
A. D. Ingram, conveying scholars, 1894-1895,	28 00
A. J. Wheeler, conveying scholars,	8 00
Elliot W. Lane, conveying scholars,	43 25
Harry E. Applin, conveying scholar,	5 00
Flora E. Lane, conveying scholars,	10 00
	$430 01

SCHOOL NO. 4.

Kate F. Blake, teaching 10 weeks,	$75 00
Gertrude M. Ellis, teaching 20 weeks,	150 00
Leander Page, janitor,	3 00
Kate F. Blake, cleaning school house,	2 00
A. S. Blake, 2½ cords wood,	11 25
M. M. Blake, chart frame,	60
	$241 85

SCHOOL NO. 5.

Vandelia Dexter, teaching 30 weeks,	$210 00
Gay E. Hills, janitor, three terms, and kindlings,	5 00
Mrs. C. R. Worcester, cleaning school house,	2 00
Geo. Draper, labor and material,	1 10
F. F. Downing, 3 cords wood,	12 75
C. R. Worcester, repairs,	1 00
	$231 85

SCHOOL NO. 7.

Sara E. Phelps, teaching 30 weeks,	$255 00
H. H. Bolles, janitor, three terms,	5 00
H. H. Bolles, cleaning school house, and repairs,	3 25
Albert A. French, repairs,	75
Goodnow, Day & Co., nails,	1 21

Goodnow & Whitcomb, chairs and chair seats,	$1 30
H. H. Bolles, 4 cords wood,	16 00
	$282 51

SCHOOL NO. 8.

Winnifred Gay, teaching 20 weeks,	$150 00
Lavinia C. Cairns, teaching 10 weeks,	75 00
John P. Marsh, janitor, and kindlings, winter term, 1894,	3 00
Lula E. Collier, janitor, spring and fall terms,	3 00
Herman Perry, janitor, winter term,	5 00
Mary J. Perry, cleaning school house,	2 50
John C. Bourn, cleaning school house, and repairs,	2 00
W. H. Perry, 3¼ cords wood,	14 73
	$255 23

SCHOOL NO. 10.

Lillian Lewis, teaching 29 4-5 weeks,	$223 50
Myron H. Bullard, janitor, spring and fall terms,	5 50
Erving L. Withington and Edward R. Milliken, janitors, winter term,	5 00
Cora R. Dunn, cleaning school house,	1 10
F. F. Downing, 3 cords wood,	12 75
Mary D. Evleth, conveying scholars,	22 50
	$270 35

SCHOOL NO. 11.

Kate A. Brown, teaching 10 weeks,	$102 30
Bertram D. Brown, teaching 10 weeks,	90 00
Hattie R. Harrington, teaching 10 weeks,	80 00
Ellen M. Higgins, teaching 20 weeks,	200 00
Kathrine F. Blake, teaching 20 weeks,	180 00
Kate E. Clark, teaching 13 weeks,	104 00
Annie L. Capron, teaching 7 weeks,	56 00
Bertram D. Brown, janitor, part winter term, 1894,	8 00
W. I. Ide and F. F. Parker, janitors, spring term,	10 00
Fred F. Parker, janitor, fall and winter terms,	30 50
Mrs. Minnie LaFountain, cleaning school house,	13 00

B. F. Bowen, labor,	$0 75
G. I. Cutler, kindlings and repairs,	1 15
Knowlton & Stone, rope,	1 15
H. B. Evans, coal,	79 02
J. Stanton, kindlings,	1 25
Obadiah Sprague, 5 cords wood,	18 75
Edwin Snow, conveying scholars, spring term,	12 00
H. C. Atwood, conveying scholars, three terms,	82 50
	$1,070 37

MISCELLANEOUS EXPENSES.

N. C. Carter, taking enumeration of scholars, blanks, etc.,	$10 30
M. H. Hill, taking enumeration of scholars,	4 50
Ora S. Ballou, conveying scholars to Richmond school, 1894,	2 40
Goodnow, Day & Co., brooms, pails, coal hod and door fixtures,	5 09
G. W. Willis, 1 dozen brooms,	2 30
James G. Phillips, 3 cords wood, 1894,	12 75
W. H. Spalter, 2 settees, 1894, and liquid slating,	2 00
	$39 34
Amount received,	$3,420 17
Amount expended,	3,087 86
Balance in treasury,	$332 31

SUPPORT AND REPAIRS SCHOOL PROPERTY.

RECEIPTS.

Balance from last year,	$18 53
Town appropriation,	300 00
	$318 53

DISBURSEMENTS.

SCHOOL NO. 2.

J. E. Long, labor on bookcase and material,	$5 80

SCHOOL NO. 4.

Charles R. Ballou, labor and material,	$23 11

SCHOOL NO. 7.

Martin Mason, shingling and material,	$64 93

SCHOOL NO. 11.

Geo. W. Richardson, work on cupboard, repairs and material,	$14 61
Geo. A. Seaver, painting school house,	75 00
Geo. A. Seaver, kalsomining, varnishing and repairs,	93 40
	$183 01
Amount received,	$318 53
Amount expended,	276 85
Balance in treasury,	$41 68

TEXT BOOKS AND SCHOOL SUPPLIES.

RECEIPTS.

Balance from last year,	$90 74
Town treasurer,	245 00
Ginn & Co., old books,	15 69
Books and school supplies sold,	9 91
	361 34

EXPENSES.

American Express Co.,	$4 35
The American Book Co., 72 Harper's readers, 2 grades,	31 11
Silver, Burdett & Co., 22½ dozen spelling blanks,	8 03
Silver, Burdett & Co., 9 dozen writing books,	6 40
The Werner Co., 24 New Normal readers,	15 36
Ginn & Co., 3 arithmetics,	2 50

Ginn & Co., 200 Tarbell grammars, 2 grades,	$79 17
Ginn & Co., 48 Frye's geographies,	24 00
Ginn & Co., 4 Myer's histories,	5 00
Edward E. Babb & Co., 6 Stories of Child Life,	81
Edward E. Babb & Co., 12 Seaside and Way,	2 70
Edward E. Babb & Co., 12 Brand's physiologies,	2 70
Edward E. Babb & Co., 36 Prince's graded arithmetics,	6 48
Edward E. Babb & Co., 72 Franklin readers,	19 61
Edward E. Babb & Co., 50 Gilbert's School Studies in Words,	9 90
Edward E. Babb & Co., 6 Warren Physical geographies,	8 10
Edward E. Babb & Co., 6 sets Meservey bookkeeping blanks,	2 70
Edward E. Babb & Co., 38 dozen writing books,	27 73
Edward E. Babb & Co., 17 Barnes' U. S. histories,	10 17
Edward E. Babb & Co., stationery, cube root blocks and erasers,	11 25
W. H. Spalter, 6 Greenleaf's algebras,	6 71
W. H. Spalter, 4 Barnes' U. S. histories,	3 52
W. H. Spalter, 6 Harper's readers,	3 96
W. H. Spalter, 3 record books,	1 65
W. H. Spalter, 19 numerical cards,	2 09
W. H. Spalter, 20 sets Meservey bookkeeping blanks,	17 60
W. H. Spalter, 8 dozen writing books,	7 52
W. H. Spalter, stationery, slates and erasers,	27 33
	$348 45
Receipts,	361 34
Expenses,	348 45
Balance in treasury,	$12 89

EDNA C. WHITCOMB, Treasurer.

Having examined the accounts of the treasurer of the school district, I find them correctly cast and properly vouched.

GEORGE W. WILLIS, Auditor.

VITAL STATISTICS.

To the Selectmen :

In compliance with an act of the legislature passed June Session, 1887, requiring clerks of towns to furnish a transcript of the record of births, marriages and deaths for publication in the Annual Report, I hereby submit the following:

Births Registered in the Town of Swanzey, N. H., for the Year ending December 31, 1895.

Date of Birth.	Name of Child (if any).	Sex and Condition. Male.	Female.	Living or Stillborn.	No. of child 1st, 2d, etc.	Color.	Name of Father.	Maiden Name of Mother.	Color of Parents.	Residence of Parents.	Occupation of Father.	Birthplace of Father.	Birthplace of Mother.	Age of Father.	Age of Mother.
Jan. 2	Raymond L.	M		L	7	W	Chester L. Lane.	Emma Newell.	W	Swanzey.	Farmer.	Swanzey.	Bloomingt'n Ill	38	33
" 6	Albert Ebenezer	M		"	1	"	Ebenezer Swan.	Minnie Wilson.	"	"	Sawyer.	Richmond.	Fitzwilliam.	27	24
" 7	Annie Madeline.		F	"	1	"	Ernest C. Whitcomb.	Lou M. Cooper.	"	"	Farmer.	Swanzey.	Keene.	23	21
" 11	Lena Vara.		F	"	2	"	John W. Starkey.	Anna E. Woods	"	"	Teamster.	Richmond.	Troy.	29	25
Feb. 22	Gladys Caroline.		F	"	3	"	Auburn J. Day.	A. Underwood.	"	"	Merchant.	Sheffield, Vt.	Jafirey.	28	25
Mar. 23	Annie Aurilla.		F	"	2	"	Charles E. Lang.	M B Whitcomb.	"	"	Mechanic.	Swanzey.	Swanzey.	28	22
Apr. 14	Phyllis Blanche.		F	"	2	"	Ceylon C. Lang.	S. M. Whitcomb	"	"	"	Troy.	"	27	16
May 5	Paul Whitcomb.	M		"	5	"	Henry W. Capron.	Ida M. Taft.	"	"	Farmer.	Swanzey.	"	50	36
" 12	Olan Orison.	M		"	3	"	Orison D. Twitchell.	C. A. Whitcomb	"	"	"	Richmond.	Richmond.	33	24
" 12	Flora Etta.		F	"	4	"	Lewis A. Talbott.	Flora Robbins.	"	"	"	Sharon, Ms.	Charlton, Ms.	45	33
" 24	Herbert C.	M		"	6	"	Herbert C. Atwood.	Ida L. Bryant.	"	"	"	Dum'erston Vt	Saco, Me.	41	39
June 5	Ephraim L.	M		"	1	"	Fred Pluff.	Annie Dagle.	"	"	Laborer.	Keene.	Canada.	22	19
" 16	George Edward.	M		"	18	"	John Conboy.	Jose'e Corkery	"	"	Farmer.	Ireland.	Ireland.	54	38
" 20	Mary Aurora.		F	"	8	"	Moses Duguy.	C. McDonnell.	"	"	Laborer.	Canada.	Canada.	41	40
" 24	Olive Erie.		F	"	1	"	Carlon E. Cass.	A. L. Marsh.	"	"	Farmer.	Richmond.	Swanzey.	25	22
July 12	Myrtie Addie.		F	"	2	"	Joseph L. Starkey.	Addie H Harris	"	"	"	"	"	40	24
" 19	George Haskell.	M		"	2	"	Fred A. Watson.	M. J. Carpenter	"	"	Teamster.	Cleveland, O.	Surry.	32	25
" 22	Mildred Bessie.		F	"	1	"	Ervin G. Cross.	B. E. Whitcomb	"	"	Station agent.	Swanzey.	Swanzey.	30	23
Aug. 2	Earl Clayton.	M		"	3	"	Henry C. Fairman.	A. M. Carlton.	"	"	Mechanic.	Florida, Ms.	Winchester.	32	30
" 7	Annie D. Belle.		F	"	6	"	Thos. J. Fitzgerald.	Annie McPhee	"	"	Farmer.	Swanzey.	Pr. Edw. Isle.	44	43
" 11	Charles Warren.	M		"	1	"	Walter L. Harris.	Winnie B. Taft.	"	"	Mechanic.	"	Swanzey.	21	19
" 13	Helen Agnes.		F	"	3	"	Charles Stanton.	Marg't O'Brien	"	"	Teamster.	Fitzwilliam.	Rutland, Vt.	29	26
" 15	LeRoy Fred'rick	M		"	1	"	Frank L. Lincoln.	M. E. Bartlett.	"	"	Mechanic.	Swanzey.	New York.	29	25
" 18	Stella Venie.		F	"	8	"	Patrick Robbins.	Matilda Reil.	"	"	Stone mason.	Saranac, N. Y.	Denamora, N Y	40	32
" 21	Joseph O.	M		"	7	"	Carlos Bergeron.	Adelin' Bushie	"	"	Mechanic.	Canada.	Rouse's Pt. N Y	37	34
Oct. 7	Oscar Read.	M		"	4	"	Andrew Bloom.	Mary L. Read.	"	"	Laborer.	Sweden.	Swanzey.	33	29
" 13	Beatrice E.		F	"	2	"	A. G. Faulkner.	Villa Wilmouth	"	"	Farmer.	Swanzey.	Shrewsbury Vt	35	31
" 16	Paul Jacob.	M		"	1	"	J. Otis Rich.	M. A. Wright.	"	"	Law student.	Winchester.	Swanzey.	28	21
Nov. 11	Mary Ellen.		F	"	2	"	Fred Patterson.	Melissa Abare.	"	"	Laborer.	Alburgh, N. Y.	Altona, N. Y.	36	32
" 24	Blanche B.		F	"	7	"	Wm. B. Hildreth.	Hattie Barrus.	"	"	Mechanic.	Winch'don, Ms	Fitzwilliam.	38	40
Dec. 30	Wayne Carter.	M		"	3	"	Edgar C. Emery.	Florenc'Carter	"	"	"	Wakefield.	Swanzey.	24	22

Marriages Registered in the Town of Swanzey, N. H., for the Year ending December 31, 1895.

Date of Marriage.	Place of Marriage.	Name and Surname of Groom and Bride	Residence of each at time of Marriage.	Age in years.	Color of each.	Occupation of Groom and Bride.	Place of Birth of each.	Names of Parents.	Birthplace of Parents.	Occupation.	Condition.*	Name, Residence and Official Station of person by whom married.
Jan. 19	Swanzey.	Frank Underwood.	Swanzey.	20	W	Mechanic.	Swanzey.	G L Und'rwood Eva R. White.	Swanzey.	Farmer.	1st	Rev. C E Milliken
		Martha A. Lapham	Keene.	20	"	Teacher.	Keene.	Peter Lapham. Mary.	Keene.		1st	Swanzey.
" 19	"	Walter L. Harris.	Swanzey.	20	"	Farmer.	Swanzey.	D. W. Harris. Maria Cheeney	Swanzey. Chesterfield.	Farmer.	1st	Rev. C E Milliken
		Winnie B. Taft.	"	19	"	Housework.	"	Lester Taft. Fran. Pomeroy	Winchester. Swanzey.	Hotel keeper	1st	Swanzey.
Mar. 7	"	Reuben E. Woods.	Boston, Ms.	22	"	Mechanic.	Ayer Jct. Ms. [Vt.	Chas. E. Wood. Isora E. Draper	Hillsboro. Boxboro, Ms.			Rev. C E Milliken
		Carrie E. Pomeroy.	Swanzey.	24	"	P. O. clerk.	W. Townsh'd	D. A. Pomeroy. Eliz'eth Eaton.	Swanzey. Winchester.			Swanzey.
May 1	"	Ernest L. Ridley.	Athol, Ms.	26	"	Mechanic.	N. Haven, Ct.	Joseph Ridley. Jennie White.	New York. So. Hadley, Ms.	Agent.	1st	Rev. C E Milliken
		Eva L. Carlton.	Swanzey.	22	"	Teacher.	Richmond.	H. M. Carlton. L. Holbrook.	Waitsfield, Vt. Swanzey.	Farmer.	1st	Swanzey.
" 4	"	Fred L. Carpenter.	"	21	"	Farmer.	Keene.	H. Carpenter. Hattie Wilbur.	Surry. "	"	1st	Rev T. L. Fowler,
		Ida B. Dickinson.	Winchester.	19	"	At home.	Swanzey.	Ansel B. Mary Noyes.	Swanzey. Boston, Ms.		1st	Westport.
" 18	"	Seth L. Aldrich.	Swanzey.	25	"	Mechanic.	"	A. Aldrich. A. J. Ballou.	Richmond. "	Painter.	1st	Rev. C E Milliken
		Elvira H. Taft.	"	22	"	At home.	"	Lovell Taft. Jennie Woods.	Swanzey. Charlestown.		1st	Swanzey.
June 5	Marlboro'.	Richard A. Grogan.	"	26	"	Spinner.	"	Rich'd Grogan. M. O'Donnell.	Ireland. "		1st	Rev. D. C. Ling,
		Margaret J. Quinn.	"	26	"	Weaver.	Keene.	Wm. Quinn. Brid't Rierdon.	" "		1st	Marlboro'.
Aug. 21	Swanzey.	Charles W. Starkey	Fitchburg, Ms.	37	"	Merchant.	Richmond.	Orren Starkey. S. O. Stoddard.	Troy. Chesterfield.		1st	lester, Rev. S. H. McCol-
		Etta C. Howes.	Swanzey.	26	"	Store clerk.	Swanzey.	L. N. Howes. Clarissa Eames	Swanzey. "		1st	Marlboro'.

* Whether single or widowed. What marriage—whether 1st, 2d, etc.

Marriages Registered in the Town of Swanzey, N. H., for the Year ending December 31, 1895.

Date of Marriage.	Place of Marriage.	Name and Surname of Groom and Bride	Residence of each at time of Marriage.	Age in years.	Color of each.	Occupation of Groom and Bride.	Place of Birth of each.	Names of Parents.	Birthplace of Parents.	Occupation.	Condition.*	Name, Residence and Official Station of person by whom married.
Sept. 26	Brat'boro, Vt	Merton E. Amadon	Swanzey.	18	W	Mechanic.	Jacksonville Vt.	M. Amidon. E. Bigelow.	Richmond. Jacksonvill' Vt		1st	W.S.Newton J.P.
		Eva A. Cole.	"	16	"	At home.	Northfi'ld Ms	Joshua Cole. Han'ah Putney	Northfield, Ms. Petersham, Ms	Farmer.	1st	Brattleboro, Vt
Oct. 31	Swanzey.	Wm. H. Calkins, Jr.	"	27	"	Mechanic.	Swanzey.	W. H. Calkins. Emily Morey.	Swanzey.	Mechanic.	2d	Geo. I. Cutler J.P.
		Clara E. Trask.	"	26	"	Housework.	Richmond.	Joshua Cole. Han'ah Putney	Northfield, Ms. Petersham, Ms	Farmer. "	2d	W. Swanzey.
Dec. 14	Keene.	Leon M. Marsh.	"	18	"	Mechanic.	Swanzey.	Chas. Marsh. C. Prentice.	Keene. Swanzey.		1st	Rev. S. G. Abbott,
		Gertrude M Church	Irasburg, Vt.	15	"	At home.	Irasburg, Vt.	S. Church. Mary.	Coventry, Vt. "		1st	Keene.
" 18	Swanzey.	Oscar I. Gould.	Swanzey.	28	"	Carpenter.	Hillsboro.	Chas. F. Gould Nellie Chase.	Hillsboro. Contoocook.	Stone cutter.	1st	Rev W H Hackett,
		Mary O'Connell.	New York.	24	"	Domestic.	New York.	P. O'Connell. A. A. Sullivan.	New York. "	Butcher.	2d	W. Swanzey.

* Whether single or widowed. What marriage—whether 1st, 2d, etc.

Deaths Registered in the Town of Swanzey, N. H., for the Year ending December 31, 1895.

Date of Death.	Name and Surname of the Deceased.	Age.			Place of Birth.	Sex and Conditi'n				Occupation.	Place of Birth.		Name of Father.	Maiden Name of Mother.
		Years.	Months.	Days.		Male.	Female.	Color.	S., M., W.*		Father.	Mother.		
Jan. 3	Joseph Iredale.	65	4	25	England.	M		W	W	Shoemaker.	England.	England.	John Iredale.	Hannah Hurst.
" 6	ThayerThompson.	72	7		Swanzey.	M		"	M	Farmer.	Swanzey.	Swanzey.	M. T. Thompson.	Sally Wright.
" 17	Warren A.Thayer.	37	5	21	Winchester.	M		"	M	Mechanic.	Winchester.	Hinsdale.	Eli Thayer.	S A Chamberlain
Feb. 8	Alonzo A. Ware.	69	5		Swanzey.	M		"	M	Farmer.	Swanzey.	Swanzey.	J. D. Ware.	Alice Hamblett.
" 16	Lucy H. Stone.	77	10	24	"		F	"	M	Housekeeper.	"	"	Davis Healy.	Asenath Hills.
" 18	Ellen C. Lincoln.	57	1	18	Chesterfield.		F	"	M	"	Chesterfield.	Newfane, Vt.	Clark Cheeney.	Adaline Crosby.
" 26	MaryM.Hammond	80	7		Swanzey.		F	"	W	"	Swanzey.	Swanzey.	A. S. Rogers.	Sophia Slate.
Mar. 22	Alonzo A. Stanley.	78		9	"	M		"	W	Farmer.	"	"	Israel Stanley.	Eunice Norwood
Apr. 11	Lydia L. Rugg.	74	2	15	Winchester.		F	"	M	Housekeeper.			Stephen Baker.	Roxanna Lane.
May 13	Lucy H. Rugg.	50		1			F	"	M	"	Keene.	Weston, Vt.	J. A. Lincoln.	Sybil Hale.
June 5	Dwight Freeman.	54	5		Dana, Ms.	M		"	W	Teamster.	Northfield, Ms.	Athol, Ms.	Mason Freeman.	Sally.
" 14	Mirand' Greenleaf	79	11	2	Templeton, Ms.		F	"	W	Housekeeper.			Nathan Carter.	Ursula.
July 11	Minnie B. Marsh.	31	7		Leominster, Ms.		F	"	M	"			David W. Day.	MaryE Hapgood
" 31	Sarah Whitcomb.	87			Swanzey.		F	"	W	"	Swanzey.	Swanzey.	Ezekiel Osgood.	Sarah H. Hill.
Aug. 4	Marian Foster.	78	1	25	"		F	"	W	Retired.	"	"	John Stratton.	S. Whitcomb.
" 13	Adaline Faulkner.	69	4	15	"		F	"	W	Housekeeper.	Uxbridge, Ms.	"	Sam'l Holbrook.	Hannah Howes.
" 25	Abbie J. Prime.	45	7	17	"		F	"	M	"	Winchester.	"	Ephr'm Rixford.	Azubah Cross.
" 28	Sylvia S. Bowles.	71					F	"	W	Retired.		"	Peter Starkey.	Lucy Graves.
Sept. 6	Fred Ridley.		2		Marlboro', Ms.	M		"			Stowe, Ms.	Digby, N. S.	Ben Ridley.	Bessie Ward.
" 8	Martin L. Lane.	43	11	12	Swanzey.	M		"	M	Merchant.	Swanzey.	Swanzey.	Luther S. Lane.	Sarah S. Stone.
" 9	Sophia Weeks.	91			"		F	"	W	Retired.	"	Chesterfield.	Wm. Green.	Elizabeth Cutler
" 14	Joanna H. Ballou.	84	5	9	"		F	"	W	Housekeeper.	"	Swanzey.	Sam'l Holbrook.	Hannah Howes.
Oct. 7	Thomas Mintz.	55	4	7		M		"	M	Farmer.				
" 9	Olin L. Beal.	22	5	9	Swanzey.	M		"	S	Engineer.	Richmond.	Royalston, Ms.	J. S. C. Beal.	Adeline P. Bliss.
" 29	Rufus Taft.	72		12	Winchester.	M		"	W	Mechanic.	Winchester.	Richmond.	Rufus Taft.	Catherin' Newell
Dec. 1	Clarissa Howes.	67	3	21	Swanzey.		F	"	M	Housekeeper.	Swanzey.	Swanzey.	Wm. G. Eames.	Clarissa Bailey.
" 8	Chas.H. Holbrook.	52		16	"	M		"	M	Farmer.	"	"	H. Holbrook.	M. P. Holbrook.
" 16	Phebe S. Hewes.	69	7	27	"		F	"	M	Housekeeper.	Attleboro, Ms.	Richmond.	W. Richardson.	D. Bolles.

* Single, married or widowed.

I hereby certify that the foregoing transcript of births, marriages and deaths is correct, according to the best of my knowledge and belief.

GEORGE I. CUTLER,
Town Clerk.

THE STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE.

To the inhabitants of the town of Swanzey, in the county of Cheshire in said state, qualified to vote in town affairs:

You are hereby notified to meet at the town house, in said town, on Tuesday, the tenth day of March next, at nine of the clock in the forenoon, to act upon the following subjects:

1.—To choose all necessary town officers and agents for the year ensuing.

2.—To raise money for the support of highways and bridges.

3.—To raise money for the support of schools.

4.—To raise money for school supplies.

5.—To raise money for the support of the poor.

6.—To raise money for ordinary town charges.

7.—To raise money for the care of cemeteries.

8.—To raise money for decorating soldiers' graves.

9.—To see if the town will vote to accept the cemetery lot fund left the town by will of the late A. A. Ware. The clause in said will reads as follows:

"I give in trust to the town of Swanzey, three hundred dollars, the income of which is to be used in caring for my burial lot in the cemetery, and also the Richard Crossett lot in the west part of the old cemetery."

10.—To see if the town will vote to exempt from taxation for a term of ten years, the mill and machinery being built at East Swanzey by C. M. Lane.

11.—To see if the town will vote to exempt from taxation for a term of five years, the building and machinery used for separating cream, located near David Whitcomb's.

12.—To see if the town will vote to instruct their selectmen to purchase land for the enlargement of the Mt. Cæsar cemetery, so called, raise money therefor, or act thereon.

13.—To see if the town will vote to make any change in the price now being paid the sexton, or act thereon.

14.—To see if the town will vote to let the Grange have the use of the town house free or take any action thereon.

15.—To see if the town will vote to allow a discount on all taxes paid before June 1st, 1896, and how much.

16.—To see if the town will vote to build a pier under the covered bridge near C. R. Worcester's, raise money therefor or act thereon.

Given under our hands and seal this 21st day of February, 1896.

ALLEN C. WILCOX,
NORRIS C. CARTER,
MARSHALL H. HILL,
Selectmen of Swanzey.

A true copy of warrant—Attest:

ALLEN C. WILCOX,
NORRIS C. CARTFR,
MARSHALL H. HILL,
Selectmen of Swanzey.